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## FOREST & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

### NOTIFICATION

The 19th November 2013

No. 23833—Env.-L-05/2013-F&E.—In pursuant to the direction of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in their order dated the 22nd October 2013 in O.A. No. 110 of 2013, Subash Datta Vrs. Union of India & others in regard to constitution of a Committee for visiting Puri town to examine all the environmental issues, the Government have been pleased to constitute the Committee with the following members:—

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| 1. Chief Secretary, Odisha  | Chairperson |
| 2. Addl. Chief Secretary to Government,<br>Housing & Urban Development Department.  |             |
| 3. Principal Secretary to Government,<br>Forest & Environment Department.   |             |
| 4. Member-Secretary, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha  |             |
| 5. Chief Administrator, Lord Jagannath Temple   |             |
| 6. Chairman, Puri Municipality  |             |
| 7. Dr. N. L. N. Prasad, Scientist 'F', MoEF, Eastern Regional Office, Chandrasekharpur<br>Bhubaneswar, Expert in the field of Environment, nominated by MoEF. |             |
| 8. Shri P. K. Tripathy, ex Member-Secretary, SPCB,<br>Expert in the field of Environment, nominated by the State Government.                                  |             |

The Committee shall undertake the following tasks as stipulated by the Hon'ble NGT in the aforesaid case:—

- I The Committee shall visit Puri town to examine all the environmental issues that have been more specifically stated by the applicant in its application as well as in the report of the Odisha Pollution Control Board.
- II This Committee shall also suggest various means and the methods that are to be adopted for preventing and controlling the pollution i.e. air, water, solid wastes and environment in the entire city of Puri more particularly from the Swargadwar and the Lord Jagannath Temple. The Committee shall *inter alia* more specifically state the measures that are required to be

taken for collection and treatment of sewage and garbage and its disposal in accordance with law and in a time bound programme.

- III Whether it would be appropriate for the Authorities to collect fee on account of polluting of environment by the visitors to Puri and citizens living in Puri on the principle of 'Polluter Pays'.
- IV What immediate steps should be taken for betterment of environment including providing stacks for all major Cooking Chulhas in the temple and cremation ground ?
- V The Committee shall report to the Tribunal about the unauthorized construction raised on the sea shore and which construction are within 500 m. from the high tide line falling within the CRZ Regulation.
- VI The Committee shall also report as to how many unauthorised constructions exist in the CRZ and within 500 m. of high tide line and what actions the State Government or the Authorities have taken against such violators.
- VII The establishment of plant as well as the methods that should be adopted for disposal of bio-medical waste including bones and other body part remnants after cremation of the human body.

As per the order, the Committee shall submit its report to the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal.

By order of the Governor

R. K. SHARMA

Principal Secretary to Government